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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF UTAH

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

JOSE GUTIERREZ-LAZCANO,

Defendant.

Case No. 2:25mj671 PK

COMPLAINT

Magistrate Judge Paul Kohler

Before the Honorable Paul Kohler, United States Magistrate Judge for the District of Utah, appeared the undersigned, who on oath deposes and says:

COUNT I
8 U.S.C. § 1326
Reentry of a Previously Removed Alien

On or about July 8, 2025, in the District of Utah,

JOSE GUTIERREZ-LAZCANO,

the defendant herein, an alien who on or about January 8, 2000, was excluded, removed, and deported from the United States, did knowingly reenter and was found in the United States in the District of Utah, having not obtained the consent of the Secretary of the

United States Department of Homeland Security to reapply for admission into the United States; all in violation of Title 8, United States Code, Section 1326(a).

This complaint is made based on an investigation consisting of the following:

1. I, Christopher Snow, am a Special Agent with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Homeland Security Investigations (HSI), assigned to the Assistant Special Agent in Charge Office located in Salt Lake City, Utah. Your affiant has been employed as a Special Agent with HSI, since July 2004. Since being hired as a Special Agent with HSI, your affiant has attended and graduated from HSI Special Agent Training (HSISAT) at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) in Glynco, Georgia. Prior to my employment at HSI, I was employed in Federal Law Enforcement for three (3) years, working as a Special Agent with the United States Secret Service (USSS) and seven (7) years as a local Police Officer and Detective with Murray, Utah Police Department. I have over 30 years of law enforcement experience with 21 of those years working immigration related offenses. My education includes a Bachelor of Science in Sociology from the University of Utah and an Associate of Science in Criminal Justice from the Salt Lake Community College. Further, as a Special Agent with HSI, I am responsible for enforcing federal immigration and criminal statutes, including Title 8, United States Code, Section 1326. I have received specialized training in and during my employment and have conducted and assisted in criminal investigations of Federal immigration laws.

2. This affidavit does not contain all the information known to me or to law enforcement regarding this investigation but rather contains only those facts believed to be necessary to obtain authorization to arrest JOSE GUTIERREZ-LAZCANO.
3. Information developed to date as a result of my investigation and the investigation of others revealed the following:
 - a. JOSE GUTIERREZ-LAZCANO is not a citizen or national of the United States. He is a native and citizen of Mexico.
 - b. JOSE GUTIERREZ-LAZCANO was removed from the United States to Mexico on January 8, 2000.
 - c. After JOSE GUTIERREZ-LAZCANO's removal, he knowingly reentered the United States and on July 8, 2025, he was knowingly present and was found in Utah County, Utah.
 - d. JOSE GUTIERREZ-LAZCANO never applied to the Attorney General or the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security for permission to re-enter the United States after having been removed.

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Based on the foregoing information, your affiant respectfully requests that a warrant of arrest be issued for JOSE GUTIERREZ-LAZCANO for violations of 8 U.S.C. §1326(a).

CHRISTOPHER R SNOW

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Affiant
Christopher Snow
Special Agent
Homeland Security Investigations
U.S. Department of Homeland Security

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me via video teleconference this 16th day of July 2025.



Judge Paul Kohler
Magistrate Judge, District of Utah

APPROVED:

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